

UTAH STATE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday, March 21, 2013

11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

10 N 1900 E, Bldg 589

History of Medicine room (upper level)

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Jessica Van Buren, Chair, Called meeting to order and introductions at 11:06 A.M.

Attendees:

State Library Board: Jessica Van Buren, Chair, Michael Freeman, Vice Chair, and board members Grace Acosta, Shelley Day, Linda Fields, Tiffany Hall, Lorrie Quigley and Carrie Valdes.

Department of Heritage & Arts (DHA)

Julie Fisher, Executive Director

Utah State Library (USL): Donna Jones Morris, State Librarian/Division Director, Craig Neilson, Library Resources Program Manager, Paul Kroff, Finance Manager, Matt McLain, Youth Services Coordinator, and Jeri Openshaw, Program Specialist, MaryEllen Martinez, Executive Secretary, and Jean Shipman, Director Spencer S. Eccles Library (who entered the meeting at the time of the tour). DHA updates from Executive Director Julie Fisher who explained the department changes with new logos and branding. She echoed Governor Herbert's sentiments applauding all employees for efficiencies and doing more with less. The departments have been asked to operate more efficiently by learning what can be done more successfully. Executive Director Fisher gave an introduction to the "Success Framework" that is being implemented by the Governor's Office of Management & Budget.

Mr. Freeman asked how DHA/USL fared in funding during the legislative session. Executive Director Fisher stated DHA asked for \$50,000 for security for the Rio building (houses DHA Administration and State History) which was approved. Commission on Service and Volunteerism received some ongoing funding. Schools and academics received money. UVU received equity funding for a major building. Capital Facilities Grants were not looked at again this legislative year.

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Ms. Quigley moved to accept the minutes with Mr. Freeman seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Term Discussion

Mr. Freeman would like to be reappointed to a second term on the State Library Board.

Ms. Quigley is debating a second term and may have a decision by the next board meeting in May.

Ms. Day will have fulfilled two complete terms this June 2013.

Ms. Acosta is filling part of a term so she can move forward with two more terms if she chooses. She is undecided.

Employee Recognition

Mr. Kroff was recognized for his work in developing a more efficient electronic way of approving purchase orders and payments. His work in Salesforce has helped USL become more efficient and plans are in place to train other divisions on the software. Executive Director Fisher gave kudos to Mr. Kroff for taking the initiative to be innovative.

Executive Director Fisher added that Ms. Morris and Mr. McLain should be applauded for their work on ILEAD USA Utah, a national training conference held over three sessions, starting March 25th – 28th.

Service Recognition

Ms. Loutensock was recognized for her service to the State Library Board July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013. She was recognized with a plaque. She expressed her appreciation to all she has worked with both on the LSTA Advisory Committee and the State Library Board. She will miss all the people she has worked with. Ms. Hall, who replaced Ms. Loutensock, thanked everyone for including her and making her feel welcomed. Ms. Loutensock then dismissed herself from the meeting.

Mr. McLain joined the meeting at 11:30, Executive Director Fisher left the meeting at 11:45 A.M.

Lunch – and meeting reconvenes.

Certification

Mr. Neilson spoke about library certification and presented the draft standards to the board. Upon review, Ms. Van Buren raised the concern about the legal verbiage of general standards. The board *approved* the general standards *with the exception of a couple of changes* regarding the decertification process.

Ms. Acosta raised the question regarding appeals. Ms. Van Buren asked if Mr. Neilson has spoken to the Attorney General regarding the appeal of a decision and questioned whether USL was following the administrative procedures act. He will do so in order to move forward with a final document. Further recommended changes are # 8 regarding local funds changing to “government funds” instead of “donations,” Standard 11 verbiage changed to clear up any issues, benchmark process in second section; based on library statistics should be above the bottom 10% in at least 6 categories. Mr. Neilson requested that certification standards represent a *minimum* standard. Quality Library Status libraries are: Brigham City, Grand County, Hyrum libraries (There are 9...)

One suggestion was to explain percentiles about benchmarks. Mr. Neilson said one thing for next year to consider changing number of computers per capita question because of wireless access without a computer being more of a precedent. Approval requested by Craig of certification standards which take place in June. Certification standards approved with the understanding that the appeals process will be looked into.

Ms. Valdes moved to approve certification standards with caveat, with Ms. Day seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EVERYONEON.ORG

Mr. Neilson is in charge of the everoneon.org campaign. It is 3 – 2 – 1 and starts on 3/21 and runs over the next three years.

ILEAD USA Utah

Mr. McLain explained ILEAD is a Laura Bush IMLS 21st Century grant awarded to five states; Utah, Illinois, Colorado, Iowa and Ohio. Participants include 29 librarians and will focus on technology, collaboration, and leadership. The projects and presenters will be streamed and sections of the session are available online.

Public Relations

Ms. Openshaw reported that the Utah Library for the Blind received a spotlight in the Library of Congress newsletter for “best practices” for their Valentine’s sent to patrons to promote BARD – the online library for the blind and disabled. 2600 Valentines were sent to patrons promoting BARD. Summer Reading is underway with a PSA featuring Governor Herbert which will be back on the air April, May and June. USL is currently running two PIONEER banner ads on Frontrunner.

Tour and highlights of Eccles Health Sciences Library

Ms. Morris asked Ms. Jean Shipman to give an overview of what changes the Spencer S. Eccles Library had undergone recently. Ms. Shipman stated the library is evolving into more of a patient care, research and education facility that will house fewer books.

APPROVED

A surgical simulation center will be built into the library. The library philosophy is to teach care from bench to bedside. There is a competition that gives students \$500 to come up with a new medical device. It is very competitive and the winner(s) receive \$15,000.

Mr. Freeman asked where the trends are and movements of current status of medically/publically funded research being available to public. Ms. Shipman replied that because of the sensitive nature of the information that publishing on open access is risky and the medical field has to cautiously proceed with "free information."

Higher occupancy and use of space - 80% of someone's office is never used so they are trying to come up with uses for that space. Ms. Shipman took the group on a tour of the Spencer S. Eccles Library.

Pushing the Limits grant

Ms. Fields spoke of a new \$2500 grant "Pushing the Limits," funded by National Science Foundation, she applied for and received for the Richfield Library. Nationally 20 libraries were chosen to receive the grant in 15 states. Richfield was the only Utah library awarded this science and math grant.

Ms. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 1:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

MaryEllen Martinez
Executive Secretary